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In re application of

Chamberlin III, et al.

Serial No. 09/727,622

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For: METHOD OF OPERATING AN INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE

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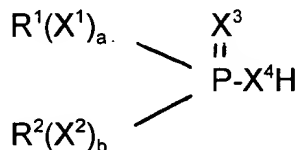
Sir:

Prior to commencing examination of the above-identified application, kindly enter the following amendment.

In the Claims:

Kindly amend claim 34 as follows:

34. (Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein said extreme-pressure additive is a compound represented by the formula



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